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bill because I think he is genuinely bringing this in for people in his district but the strategy of the industry is to try and get triple trailers on the road so people will get used to it and the opposition will be decreased.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Excuse me, Senator, the Call is lifted. Continue, please.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Let me just share with you some information that came out at the public hearing which was of interest to me. The purpose of the bill, you know, is to allow the movement of these units from David City to Colorado and the bill would allow them to move three units at once behind one tractor instead of two units behind a tractor. And my recollection from the testimony at the hearing, and Senator Schmit can correct me if I am wrong, is that if they are allowed to move three units at once instead of two units at once, it will give them a savings of about \$70 a unit. Now when you compare that to the total construction cost per unit it seems to me to be quite insignificant when you consider the danger of having these triple trailer units stand empty and more subject to movement in a large gust of wind and so forth. I just don't think it is worth it and I don't think the economic savings, in other words even to that company, are worth opening the door in a significant way which this would be and I would urge that you not support this bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Any other discussion on the bill? Senator Schmit, did you wish to close?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I can understand Senator Hoagland's concern. I will do something which I very rarely have done on this floor. I will tell you, Senator Hoagland, that I will not vote if that should ever come up while I am in this Legislature for any legislation which would legalize triple trailers on this floor other than under the present kind of an operation. I think it is important to David City. It is important to Tempte. And any time you are in business, any small additional expense is always critical to that company,